UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

TEXAS A&M QUEER EMPOWERMENT COUNCIL,

Plaintiff,

v.

WILLIAM "BILL" MAHOMES, ROBERT L. ALBRITTON, DAVID C. BAGGETT, JOHN W. BELLINGER, JAMES R. "RANDY" BROOKS, JAY GRAHAM, MICHAEL A. "MIKE" HERNANDEZ III, MICHAEL J. PLANK, SAM TORN, and CAGE SAWYERS in their official capacities as members of the Board of Regents of the Texas A&M University System; JOHN SHARP, in his official capacity as Chancellor of the Texas A&M University System, and MARK A. WELSH III, in his official capacity as President of Texas A&M University,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 4:25-cv-992

DEFENDANTS' NOTICE FOR APPEAL

Defendants WILLIAM MAHOMES, ROBERT L. ALBRITTON, DAVID C. BAGGETT, JOHN W. BELLINGER, JAMES R. BROOKS, JAY GRAHAM, MICHAEL A. HERNANDEZ III, MICHAEL J. PLANK, SAM TORN, AND CAGE SAWYERS, in their official capacities as members for the Board of Regents of Texas A&M University System; JOHN SHARP, in his official capacity as Chancellor of Texas A&M University, and MARK A. WELSH III, in his official capacity as President of Texas A&M University, appeal this Court's Order entered on March 24, 2025, to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. *See*, Memorandum and Opinion, ECF No. 24, and Order of

Preliminary Injunction, ECF No. 25. The granting of preliminary injunction is immediately appealable. See 28 U.S.C. § 1292(a)(1).

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I certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing document was filed electronically (via CM/ECF) on March 28, 2025, and that all counsel of record were served by CM/ECF.

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